

U S B Mint New Orleans
May 22nd 1838.

Sir,

I had the pleasure of writing you by Judge Butler (enclosing a Dime, one of thirty pieces struck at this Branch on the 7th inst.) who sailed in the Huntsville about ten days since. Mr. Tyler had impaired his health by his too great assiduity and exertions to make a Commencement of Coining and on the suggestion of Mr. Gordon that a change of air was requisite for him, he crossed the Lake and went to Covington but came back in two days and though better is not yet in good health. He is exceedingly pleased with his annealing furnace: he yesterday rolled a quantity of silver very successfully. He had to take down and readjust the Dime Coining press which is now nearly in readiness for operation.

Mr. Tyler had written ~~had written~~ on to Mr. Miller of your City for bricks and tiles and expected the Bill would have been presented to you for payment. The Bill of lading and of the Cost of the same have just arrived here and he wished me to say to you that the Bill would be paid here. The twenty five Cents Dies have arrived.

I enclose at the Request of Sam^l. M. Nance, a draft on the Bank of the United States for \$111.00 which he requests to be paid to his wife.

Yr. M^t. Friend. Ser^t.
David Bradford
Superintendent

enclosing a Draft on the Collector of this Port for \$10,000, but which will not be paid till the arrival of the letter of advice which I hope will be before the first of next month when we pay Officers and Men.

I left here on the 18th inst. and had the pleasure of returning with my wife and family on the 22nd having fortunately and very unexpectedly made a satisfactory arrangement and disposition of my place and individual concerns generally, and have met with the most pleasing, hospitable and cordial reception from Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell, and every kind attention from Mr. Tyler and Dr. Hort.

On the 12th inst. I appointed a young French gentleman, Emile Lassere, a Clerk in this Branch, whom I have known most intimately since his boyhood, since 1815, who speaks the French Spanish and English languages equally well, but on our calling on the U. S. Dist. Judge, he had that very hour left the City to hold Court in the Western District of the State and will not return before next month when I will forward you his Voth of Office & Bond.

Y^r Am. Servt.

David Bradford
Superintendent